

## University of Dayton eCommons

---

News Releases

Marketing and Communications

---

12-27-2010

# A Gift to Believers

Follow this and additional works at: [https://ecommons.udayton.edu/news\\_rls](https://ecommons.udayton.edu/news_rls)

---

### Recommended Citation

"A Gift to Believers" (2010). *News Releases*. 1034.  
[https://ecommons.udayton.edu/news\\_rls/1034](https://ecommons.udayton.edu/news_rls/1034)

This News Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Marketing and Communications at eCommons. It has been accepted for inclusion in News Releases by an authorized administrator of eCommons. For more information, please contact [frice1@udayton.edu](mailto:frice1@udayton.edu), [mschlangen1@udayton.edu](mailto:mschlangen1@udayton.edu).

# University of Dayton, Ohio (url: <http://www.udayton.edu/index.php>)



## A Gift to Believers

12.27.2010 | Catholic

In a story about the first officially validated apparition of Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ, in the United States, *The New York Times* talked to the Rev. Johann Roten, S.M., director of research and special projects for the Marian Library/International Marian Research Institute. The story was carried by about 30 media outlets.

"This is a gift to the believers," Father Roten said in the Dec. 23 article. "This will have a beneficial impact on the people, showing them that there are ways of living with faith that are very pure."

Roten, an internationally recognized expert on Mary, has served as investigator in a number of sightings around the world. The Religion News Service also talked to Roten about the process of validation for The Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help near Green Bay, Wis.

During the Christmas season, he also spoke with a number of media outlets about the history and tradition of Nativity scenes as well as the Marian Library's extensive collection from around the world.